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Petition for Extension of Time

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time of three (3) months from the original response date of July 6, 2001 for responding to the outstanding Office Action in the above-identified patent application. With the extension of time, the period for response now extends up to and includes October 8, 2001. A check for \$460.00 is enclosed herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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